STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 98-219

October 30, 2001

SUPRA TELECOMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC.
Petition for Finding of Public
Convenience and Necessity to Provide
Service as a Local exchange Telephone
Utility

ORDER DISMISSING APPLICATION

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

## I. SUMMARY

In this Order we dismiss without prejudice the Application filed by Supra Telecommunications & Information Systems, Inc. (Supra) for authority to provide local exchange service in the State of Maine.

## II. DISCUSSION

On March 23, 1998, Supra Telecommunications & Information Systems, Inc. filed an application pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102 to provide local exchange in Maine. On July 24, 2000, the Commission sent Supra a letter requesting that it state whether it wished to pursue the application. Supra responded on August 15, 2000 stating that it did wish to pursue the application and that, "in due course" it would file a "revised application." Separately, the Commission Staff had informed Supra that its application and proposed rates, terms and conditions were deficient in several material respects. The filing contains no real application that provides the information required by Chapter 280, § 4; the terms and conditions do not contain essential provisions; and there are no rate schedules. Supra has not remedied those deficiencies or filed a revised application, as it stated it would do in its letter of August 15, 2000. We find that this application is deficient and has been pending for too lengthy a period. We therefore dismiss it without prejudice. We note that since the application was filed we have made a number of important changes to our application package (that is available at our website and from the Administrative Director). Any new application that Supra might file should take these changes into account.

Accordingly, we

## ORDER

That the application for authority to provide telephone service in Maine filed by Supra Telecommunications & Information Systems, Inc. on March 23, 1998 is hereby found to be insufficient and is dismissed without prejudice.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl

Dennis L. Keschl Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Nugent Diamond

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